Jean Lafitte National Historical Park & Preserve

Department of the Interior



Mammals of Barataria:

Virginia Opossum Common in all wooded areas.

Southeastern Myotis Bat Preserve is within range.

Eastern Pipistrelle Bat Preserve is within range.

Red Bat Preserve is within range.

Seminole Bat Confirmed in Preserve.

Northern Yellow Bat Preserve is within range.

Evening Bat Preserve is within range.

Rafinesque's Big-eared Bat Preserve is within range.

Brazilian Free-tailed Bat Preserve is within range.

Nine-banded Armadillo Abundant on higher ground. Often abroad

during daylight, especially in cold weather.

Swamp Rabbit Very common except in densest forest.

Gray Squirrel Most commonly encountered mammal in the

Preserve.

Southern Flying Squirrel Probably common, but completely nocturnal.

Marsh Rice Rat Common in marsh and swamp.

Fulvous Harvest Mouse Preserve is within range.

White-footed Mouse Common in wooded areas.

Cotton Mouse Preserve is within range.

Hispid Cotton Rat Preserve is within range.

Eastern Wood Rat (Pack Rat) Uncommon in hardwoods.

Common Muskrat Uncommon to occasionally common in marsh

where three-square sedge grows.

House Mouse Introduced. Common on higher ground,

especially around buildings.

Nutria Introduced. Common in swamp, abundant in

marsh areas.

American Beaver Extirpated from the delta, but not making a

comeback in the Preserve.

Atlantic Bottle-nosed Dolphin A rare visitor to Lake Salvador & Bayou

Barataria after storms.

Red Wolf Extirpated.

Coyote-like wild canids recently invaded the

Preserve. It is probable that these are actually

Coyote/Red wolf hybrids.

Gray Fox A few recent unconfirmed sightings.

American Black Bear Extirpated.

Northern Raccoon Abundant, utilizing all habitats.

North American Mink Common in wetland areas.

Nearctic River Otter Fairly common in wetland areas, around

permanent water.

Cougar Extirpated.

Bobcat A few recent unconfirmed sightings.

White-tailed Deer Common throughout the Preserve.

Bison Extirpated.

Wild Boar Introduced, occasional.